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Also enclosed is a copy of an Office Action bearing a mailing date of August 20, 2002 from a corresponding Japanese patent application.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office may, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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